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## NOW, FOR A WAREHOUSE

Since it has become abundantly evident that Mr. Pott has no present intention of rebuilding the mill at Benton, it behooves the people to take other means whereby to retain our local market for wheat. The new railroad makes this an easy matter. A warehouse at our depot will give our farmers a better market and at prices that they had from the mill. They will be paid in cash, and will have no difficulty in finding the best grades of flour and feed in the hands of our merchants.

The people of this vicinity have made more than liberal concessions to Mr. Pott, in the hope and with the understanding that he would, as he repeatedly promised, rebuild this Spring. But they are tired of being made the cat's paw to rake his chestnuts out of the fire. If he has any intention of rebuilding he should at once give the people substantial and tangible evidence to that effect instead of the vagueness of "ifs" and "buts." We can have a warehouse ready for the coming crop, and the sooner it is erected the better.

## FROM LENOX SCHOOL HOUSE.

Twenty six years ago, I first became acquainted in this part of Scott County. This part of the county was scarcely settled. Sikeston was a mere village—a tough place with a tough name; Morley was just springing up and like all other new towns wanted to do something to get its name up, and it didn't fail, for it soon had the name of being the toughest town in the county, but I am digressing. In this immediate neighborhood we had two school houses, regular old-timers, hewed logs, fire-pieces in one end, punchcock seats, a broad plank extending the entire length of one side of the house for a writing desk. One was known as the Prairie, the other as the Cheney school house. The Cheney house was used for church, school and law office. It was there I first saw Isaac Hunter acting as Justice (a man whom I always loved). It came about in this way. Two of my neighbors had been neighboring with each other for about a year and had not settled until finally they began to try settle, and came within one quart of molasses of settling, when they fell out, and one sued the other for a settlement. I was summoned as a witness in the case and I knew as much about the case as a hog in Scott county would know about the geography of Madagascar. When the day set for the trial came around quite a number of us went to the trial. Henderson Winchester was the leading lawyer in that court, and was employed to defend the case. Joseph H. Moore, of Commerce, who was a young limb of the law at that time, was present and offered his services to the plaintiff, but was refused. He then volunteered his services on the part of the defence, and succeeded in throwing the case out of court, at the expense of the plaintiff. I thought, "Well, so much for one quart of molasses."

Now to show you that men knew how to play tricks in those days as well as now, I shall relate a circumstance that actually happened here. Upon the very spot where I am now writing there lived a man by the name of Frank—, and just below here lived another by the name of John—. In the spring John needed about two wagon loads of corn, in order to make his crop. He went to Frank and asked him to sell him the corn on a credit, but Frank refused and advised him to take his sack and go out at night and borrow enough to do him, and then in the fall pay it back to the man he borrowed from. John said "He believed that would be the cheapest." So things went on as usual until corn gathering time came. John loaded two wagons with corn and drove to Frank's house and asked him where he should throw his corn. Frank told him "He didn't know anything about it." "Why," said John "Don't you remember the advice you gave me last spring about borrowing corn." "Yes," said Frank. "Here is your corn, you are the very man I borrowed from," said John. "Throw it in the cribb there," said Frank, and sneaked back into the house. (Moral) Never advise a man to do wrong.

Time has wrought a wonderful change in all this Richwoods country. I stand here and look north; I see the smoke curling up from the engine on I. M. R. R.; looking south I see smoke rising from the engine on the C. A. T. R. R. Standing here as I do almost in the center of this great agricultural district of Scott county I look to the north and south, and to the east and west, the beautiful little city of Sikeston, to the east, the East Lake, to the west, the West Lake. Spread out before me are vast fields of growing crops, the whole country dotted over here and there with splendid residences, good barns, good orchards, nice groves of shade trees, in fact everything for the comfort of man and beast.

Four neat frame school houses and a splendid church have taken the places of the old time log houses. The country has changed from a wilderness into one vast prairie with the land fenced off into blocks of Section, half and quarter Sections with streets running due north and south all around each block of land which gives it the appearance of a large city laid out to order. All Sikeston has to do, in order to become a second Chicago is to reach out and incorporate the whole thing and the work is done. You may talk about your Eldorado, Alpine scenery, the Garden of the Gods, the Italian skies, the land where man never dies, but there is none that can compare with this country, and yet some people are so foolish as to say we live in a swamp. Bah! If there are any people living upon this earth, who should be continually giving thanks to God for his blessings, it is certainly in our people. For fear of becoming wise I'll close. PANDARUS.

## FROM ORAN.

"The following comments were passed on Col. Hafner's article, entitled 'What the Populists will accomplish in Scott County.'"

Wm. Stubblefield: "It is a dandy and has the whole thing in a nutshell."

Ben Lyon: "It takes the cake and don't you forget it."

Col. Newlin: "That article will apply to the Administration and it is true as regards what the present Congress and Senate are doing."

W. P. Howie: "It is one of Phil's most brilliant efforts" and if the correspondents of the Newsboy, took as much pains in writing up the towns they represent as Phil has in this work their columns would be a thing of beauty."

"We are in receipt of a copy of the 'Sikeston Star' which is a very readable sheet. We were favorably impressed with Prof. Crow's article. 'Tax Payer' is no slouch as a correspondent, but when a writer becomes so personal in his remarks he ought to write over his true name."

Eugene Randolph will have a dwelling built on the lot in front of the Hayden property. Ben Lyon has the contract—the house will be for rent, as Mr. Randolph will move to Charleston, Mo.

Rumor says that the army worms have totally destroyed the timothy crop in this county. We hope this rumor is false; our timothy brings quite a sum of money into our county.

The universe may be likened to a watch, whose maker is God. The watch is so made that it needs no repairs, it will run smoothly forever.

Mr. John Metz of this place and Miss Bertha Stubbsnaugh of the Cape were united in marriage since our last letter. They will make this place their home for the present.

Mr. Revelle and wife went to Fredericktown last Saturday to see his mother, who is reported dangerously ill. They will be absent for several weeks.

Mrs. Hogan returned from Morley Saturday, where she had been nursing Mrs. Dr. Robinson. Mrs. Hogan is very popular as a nurse.

The weather clerk will have a few more sins to answer for. Our citizens had to repeat up stove pipes in their shape is usually accompanied with cuss words.

An ice cream and strawberry supper together with the necessity of a red hot stove makes an unusual sight, but such a scene was presented here Saturday night. However the supper was a success and enjoyed by all in attendance.

Ben Lyon will build a neat dwelling on his lot near Hughes Hotel, in the near future.

Prof. Sholz' school closed Wednesday.

Picture Gallery in town. Mr. Gordon of Morley proprietor.

Oran was well represented in the S. S. convention at Morley Tuesday and Wednesday.

M. S. Love, Jap May and other Morleyites were here Monday on business. Matthews Stubblefield & Co., have many patrons from Morley.

Our few merchants are said to be doing a good business. They patronize the Newsboy. Other merchants in Oran take hold and govern yourselves accordingly.

There are two new babies in town, one at Bob Wright's and the other at Joe Skagg's, all parties doing well.

A big day among the Catholics next Wednesday (30). Their church will be dedicated that day.

There is not a baker's dozen of Cleveland Democrats in Oran. The Republicans of this place speak of Cleveland as being a very nice man.

If all the Drummers have sold goods in Oran this week, business must be booming; drummers are as thick in Oran this week as dogs are in Charleston.

Mrs. John Dunn and children, of Delta, visited relatives here this week. Usno.

## FROM DIEHLSTADT.

The cold weather of the past week has turned the corn yellow, killed lots of peas and some melons and made farmers look a little blue.

Every day somebody comes around and asks us to vote for them. We promise—just to keep them from getting mad. The Australian ballot makes this easy—as easy as lying.

Matt Rodgers, his wife, his son and another man on the one side with Ab and Frank Finch on the other had a difficulty. Rodgers had Finch's mule up and wanted Finch to take back something he had said. Finch said he didn't say things to take 'em back. So far it is a draw. Rodgers has the mule and Finch don't retract. There was bark knocked off, and the end is not yet.

John Harrison and Jas. Farris together with the Misses Lula and Maggie Clear and May Harrison went to St. Louis Saturday.

—The Cape Era, in an article abounding in wretched grammar, makes the charge that three ladies from Cape Girardeau county obtained certificates from the Scott County Commissioner two years ago without paying fees or attending the Institute. Our school Commissioner says they all paid fees, one attended the Institute and all passed examinations, and that he has their receipts. He is of opinion that the writer of the Era article had his certificate revoked for cause.

## FROM BLODGETT.

Mrs. Jane and Miss Jessie Peal went visiting at Sikeston Friday.

Dr. Sidney Wade, of Benton, was in town Friday.

Joe Sherer has gone to Fulton, Ky., to recuperate. We hope the balmy air of old Kaintuck will set him right.

Miss Amanda Ashley left for St. Louis Friday, where she expects to remain through the summer.

Rev. Leake filled his regular appointments here Saturday and Sunday evenings.

Blodgett will celebrate the glorious Fourth in its usual handsome style, with a barbecue dinner at the Commercial, dancing at Congleton's summer-house and a fine display of fireworks at night. No doubt the entire county will come. Candidates should make their arrangements at once.

Col. T. W. McKenzie spent Tuesday at this place.

W. H. Heisserer was in town last Friday.

Besides other improvements here, we have a laundry which is a big business and turns out nice work.

We have among us (like other communities) men capable of giving the most astute business advice to their neighbors while sedulously neglecting their own affairs. They are greatly admired for their disinterestedness.

The re-organized Ananias Club met Sunday midnight and proceeded to build a fire of a panel of Monroe Fulcher's fence. The meeting being called to order by the stumpman, the Scratchers said he was in receipt of a letter from the G. T. L. (Grand Traveling Lion) in which he complained that the art of fabrication among the drummer fraternity is falling into innocuous desuetude. He had found in the course of his pilgrimages that an average, everyday member of the Ananias could outlie the most mendacious of the Knights of the Grip. For himself, he had entered upon the traveling life with many misgivings as to his ability to keep up his end, but the first story he got off—that chestnut in the Ananias, about Bro. Dickson's four-eared mule—paralyzed the supper table, and the drummers on hand sent a committee to him with the offer of a handsome pension if he would retire from the profess. The noble brother had treated the offer with proper scorn, and would continue to sell the deadly liver pad as long as the crop of suckers held out.

The stump hand fumigated a letter, said it was from the A. P. A., requesting the aid of the club in the fabrication of plausible lies about the Catholics, their present stock being exhausted or discredited. The stump said that as the club's Malicious Liar had been expelled and the office declared permanently vacant by a rising vote, he could do nothing in the premises. On motion, the letter was cremated.

The Outer Guard reporting that Bro. Fulcher had been in sight with a shot-gun and a yaller dog, the meeting faded into the surrounding gloom. S. & S.

—St. Louis Republic: Congressmen Hall in the Second and Arnold in the Fourteenth District are now assured of renomination, a sufficient number of delegates having already been instructed for them to accomplish the fact. They have been particularly efficient in Congress. Mr. Hall distinguished himself by his advocacy of the income tax and Mr. Arnold by his speeches in support of the Wilson bill. Both should be returned to their places in the House of Representatives by even larger majorities than they received two years ago.

Dr. S. S. Harris, of Cape Girardeau, was billed for a lecture on Food at the courthouse Tuesday night, for the benefit of the Ex-Confederate Home. The chilly weather kept people at home and there were not enough present to justify him in speaking. Too bad!

—Miss Daisy Leedy, who is visiting Sikeston, was taken sick the end of last week, and her mother was sent for and is nursing her. At last account the patient was recovering.

—Hall and Cooper lands for sale on time payments. Apply to Albert C. Davis, 520 Olive St., St. Louis.

—Jim Portis shook off his rheumatism long enough Tuesday to think he owned the town. Very much against his will and uttering a great deal of disgustingly foul language he was carried to the cooler and locked up. Wednesday morning he didn't own quite so much territory. The mayor said he was bound to break up this "holy terror" business if it took all summer.—He fined Jim \$25 and costs with the option of hours to leave town. Jim took the hours and departed.

—Parties in need of stock peas can secure them at the store of Anderson Bros., Commerce, the next few days on favorable terms, as they need the warehouse room.

—Geo. Shuffelbarger, who has so long been general business manager, artistic printer and editor in chief of the Benton Record, has accepted a position as assistant devil in the Newsboy office.—George is go-ahead sort of a fellow and is anxious to learn something about the printing business. Having learned all that Mr. Smith knows about printing, he will have little trouble in filling his position as assistant devil in the Newsboy office.

—John A. Mott, who since 1883 has held the office of circuit clerk of New Madrid county, was in Benton Tuesday and visited with his wife. Mr. Mott has probably held his office as long or longer than any man in Missouri—a fine tribute to his efficiency and popularity.

## FROM COMMERCE.

You are quite right in protecting the candidates. They pay their money for the announcement and get their little puff from the editor, and no correspondent has any right to poke fun at them. The correspondent should stick to his legitimate business, and when Miss Flora Frizel steps across the street to call on Miss Celia Curtis and Miss Bettie Bangs, then let him get his Faber and announce the news. Everybody likes to see his or her name in the Bunttown Banner or the Cripple Creek Criterion. Suppose, Mr. Editor, you were to visit St. Louis, of course, your arrival at the Southern Hotel would be announced in the Republic. A reporter of that paper would obtain an interview, and next day you would be given a paragraph where you would figure as "Col. Phil A. Hafner, editor of the Benton Bouncer, the official organ of the untried Democracy of Scott county, and the only live paper in Southeast Missouri."

I was about to say something about the Populists, but your exhaustive pamphlet on the same subject leaves me nothing to say.

The Peavine is erecting a big water tank on J. T. Anderson's farm to be supplied with non-corrosive water from the Ellis spring. That road proposes to have a finger in the watermelon pie—or know the reason why, dy'e see.

I had the pen of "Hayseed." I could give you a graphic description of the electric storm last Thursday night, but, alas!

From the quantity of goods we see on our wharf addressed to Benton, it would seem that you folks are still very much alive, despite the fire and Morley's aspirations.

Bicycle riding has quite a number of devotees here. I once tried to ride one of the pesky things myself—but that's another story.

If rumor is correct, Commerce will have a candidate for the office of circuit clerk. CINCIS.

## CIRCUIT COURT.

Circuit court met in adjourned term Tuesday, Judge H. C. Riley on the bench and the April petit jury in the box. The Fullerton suit for damages against the Cotton Belt railroad company, which has been tried here twice before and the verdict for plaintiff in which was reversed by the Supreme court, occupied the court's time until Thursday noon, when it went to the jury. Judge O. Bryan tried this case, Judge Riley being barred by having been a counsel in the case at a former hearing. The jury found for plaintiff and awarded him \$13,500 damages. Defendants filed motion for a new trial which was overruled and defendants granted until July 15th to file a bill of exceptions.

John Clayton, who robbed Charles Profit's trunk recently, pleaded guilty to petit larceny and was given 15 days in jail.

In the Bohmhardt forgery case the defense asked for a change of venue, which was granted and the case sent to Cape county.

The case of the State vs. Wm. Lloyd—murder—went to the jury at about 3:30 o'clock and after deliberating until after 2 o'clock a. m. they acquitted the accused.

—The visiting lawyers attending court this week were W. H. Miller and Wilson Cramer, of Jackson; H. C. O'Bryan, Jos. T. Wilson and G. S. Elliott, of Charleston; and W. M. Dawson, of New Madrid.

—Anderson Bros., at Commerce, have just opened a large stock of new Spring Goods, and are in the market to win. See them and ave money.

—If you think of buying furniture, it will pay you to inspect the stock of Anderson Bros., at Commerce, and get prices. They can and will save you money.

—Don't forget "The New York Book Agent" at Evans' Hall, Blodgett, to-night (Saturday).

—Get thee to Heisserer & Miller's where the art is in need of shoes. A Giesbeck shoe will bear thee up, lo, these many months. A Priesmeyer shoe fits a lady's foot as doth the skin fit the onion. The prices are city prices—or lower.

—Don't fail to attend the dedication of the Catholic church at Oran next Wednesday. It will be a great day, sure.

—Bring along your picnic bills. We challenge the cities to show more beautiful three-color poster work than we do. We have a special outfit of type for the poster business. Call and examine samples.

—Cape Era:—At the picnic last Monday a gold watch was raffled to the most popular man. J. P. Schwepker of the Boston, was the lucky man.

—The electric storm Thursday night of last week was quite a brilliant one and was accompanied by the finest display of lightning we remember to have seen. The cold wave which followed it and which continued until Tuesday, was somewhat of a trial to those who had discarded their heavy underwear and taken down their heating stoves. Some little damage is reported to melons, but nothing serious. The storm was coincident with a solar cyclone which which astronomers report as one of the most severe ever witnessed. The relation between solar disturbances and sun spots and electric disturbances on our planet is now regarded as a fixed scientific fact.

—The basket dinner at Owensby's school house last Sunday was much hurt by the cold snap. Mr. Leftwich was the only candidate, visible on the grounds.

## FROM SIKESTON.

An earthquake was felt here on Wednesday evening at about 5:20. It was of sufficient force to cause bottles on shelves in drug stores to rattle, and caused many persons to rush from buildings to see what caused the shake.

A letter was received here this week by the Postmaster, which if the contents are true, make Harry Coats, the evangelist at the Baptist church, out as an impostor. The letter is very severe, and the only thing left for the accused to do is to produce his credentials or get off the perch.

Misses Nannie McMullen and Pet Kirby returned from a week's visit with friends at Columbus Ky., on last Tuesday.

Joe Patterson spent Wednesday at New Madrid.

Mr. R. M. Coleman brought his youngest child here for burial from Essex Wednesday morning. Mr. Coleman has had much sickness in his family since moving to Essex. They formerly lived here and have the sympathy of many in their troubles.

Rube Matthews returned from Charleston this week, where he has been for the past few days, looking up business.

Mr. Ebert, of Cape county, is visiting his son, E. B. Ebert, this week.

Mr. G. Morrison spent part of this week at Cape Girardeau—he reports everything lively there.

Mr. Guy Smith, of Vincennes, Indiana, spent a part of the week with the family of his Aunt, Mrs. Laura Smith.

The cool nights of last week did some damage in this vicinity having cut down some of the most tender vegetation—also damaged corn slightly. C.

## It Will be a Great Day.

The new Catholic church and school at Oran will be dedicated next Wednesday, the 30th inst. Sermons in English and German will be preached, beginning at 8 o'clock a. m. A bounteous dinner will be served by members of the congregation at noon. Refreshments of all kinds will be served on the church grounds during the day, and everything will be done to make the occasion enjoyable to all visitors. We anticipate one of the largest gatherings ever seen in Scott county and you should go if you don't want to fall behind the procession.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Wm. Metz, Andrew Metz, August Scholz, Louis Halter, Joseph Burger, Leo Halter.

## COMMITTEE ON RECEPTION.

Leo Schott, Jos. Stauber, Martin Hoffer, Robert Halter, Geo. Metz, W. H. Heisserer, Vincent Heisserer, Aug. Dohogne, Constantine Dohogne, Chas. H. Hoffer, Caleb Matthews, Wm. H. Stubblefield, Albert De Roign, Hon. Marsh. Arnold, Adam Burger, Mark Lawrence, R. C. Swan, Louis Hoefler, Frank Heisser, Barney Rolwing, Ben Tenkhoff, Phil. A. Hafner, Jack Jellin.

## COMMITTEE ON DINNER.

Carolina Burger, Victoria Schott, Sophia Strack, Katie Kline, Susan Goeche, Teresa Schott, Clara Popst.

## COMMITTEE ON REFRESHMENTS.

Kate Schott, Carolina Richter, Josephine Diebold, Carrie Sullivan, Mary Schmuck, Louise Halter, Ida Popst, Frances Dohogne, Mary and Teresa Monz.

Prof. Bowar will give a magic lantern exhibition of telescopic views at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

## "And the Earth Trembled."

Wednesday evening about 5:30 o'clock we experienced quite a sharp earthquake shock in Benton, which, according as a man was more or less seated, seemed to last from five to thirty seconds. The shock was felt more particularly in the court house. The Fullerton case was in progress. Judge O. Bryan adjourned court sine die by hastily vacating the bench, and a general stampede was made for the door. Judge Leedy left his hat and went out with the skirts of his coat at a rectangle with his back. Mont Wade suddenly remembered that he had to "see a man," and made good time for the street. Outdoors the shock was very little felt. The noise accompanying it was equal to that made by a buggy passing over planks, and was not much remarked. In frame buildings little attention was attracted by it, the tremor being only such as is made by a loaded wagon passing. No damage reported in this vicinity.

## The Fourth At Oran.

For the first time in many years the people of Oran are preparing to celebrate the Nation's birthday in royal style. A stock company has been formed and grounds will be prepared at an expense of several hundred dollars. Papers were drawn up Wednesday and the Wade place, just east of Oran, was chosen. A dance-hall, 40 x 80, and a dining hall 20 x 80 will be erected, and the grounds will be arranged in park-like shape.

## Attention, Delegates!

Take the CAPE ROUTE, St. Louis Cape Girardeau & Ft. Smith Rys., to the Democratic Congressional convention at West Plains, May 29, 1894. ONE FARE for the round trip. E. F. BLOOMER, G. P. A.

## The Benton School Board met

Wednesday night and appointed as teachers for the ensuing term, John Goodin, Principal, and Miss Mattie Seaford, primary department.

## SOUTHEAST NOTES.

The city of Farmington taxes all dogs one dollar per year. Benton should follow suit at once—only one dollar is too low for the curs.

Bro. Flynn, of the Southeast Gazette, is accused of driving a base ball through a bay window. The Philosopher says the window had no business in the way of the ball.

A young lady, of Cape Girardeau, is charged by the Era, with nearly setting the town on fire while curling her bangs—the lamp exploding. Be careful, deers.

Bro. Ake, of the Iron County Register, is treating the St. Louis Republic to a dose of the deadly parallel column.

Iron county has the thirteen-year (not the seventeen-year) locust, and has it bad. The hogs fatten on it, however, so it is not all loss.

The Stoddard County Democrat is after ex-Mayor Stokes and the line recorder claimed for him by the Dexter Messenger. Bro. Thrower claims that Stokes was a mighty expensive luxury to Dexter, and that he can prove it by the records.

The Cape Democrat is said to have passed into the hands of a stock company with \$5,000 capital. Gee-whizz!

John Fulbright, of Cape county, is 75 years old and has led a hermit's life for fifteen years. He is in fair circumstances.

John Sloan was killed by the cars near Hendrickson on the 13th inst. He got on the track while intoxicated.

The erstwhile Prohibition Dexter Messenger now inserts saloon paid locals.

Cape Girardeau is sure of water-works at last—the contract having been let to responsible parties.

A goat over in Dunklin county had five kids at a birth recently.

Frank Eastwood, about 19 years old, smooth face, boyish appearance, is wanted in Pemiscot county for shooting and wounding Cole. Powell, \$200 is offered for his arrest.

Hon. H. N. Phillips has formally withdrawn from the Congressional race in the 14th District.

Four colored women in Charleston, whose husbands had been in the toils of a couple of colored cyprians, took the latter outside the corporation limits and gave them a good thrashing last week.

The coal famine caused by the strike is beginning to affect even such timber supplied towns as Charleston.

Elkins, the runaway town marshal of Charleston, has returned and professes penitence a-la-Breckenridge. Of course, the poor wife forgave the miserable fool.

The Charleston Democrat has no "patent" matter. At least Bro. Tetlow makes that assertion.

It will cost 50 to 75 cents to hear Sam Jones at Kennett. Nothing small about Samuel—only his check.

Dunklin county reports a better stand of corn and cotton than ever before seen there.

A fifteen-year-old negro at New Madrid assaulted an eight-year-old white girl, but his design was frustrated. The young scoundrel was arrested and treated to the lash. That is the best kind of argument to use on rapists.

—Charles Wear, son of Judge Wear, of Butler county, who is out on bail on the charge of murder, is reported to have committed another murder—one Conyers being the victim. If this fellow had been kept where the spirit of the law prescribed he could not have added another crime to his black record.

—John Martin, of the Charleston Enterprise, tried very badly he could butcher the English language last Tuesday. He succeeded to a marvel, as usual.

—Only two Southeast Missouri assessors attended the meeting at Jefferson City—W. A. Jamison, of Bollinger, and T. C. Highly, of St. Francois.

—Among our new announcements this week is that of Fred Coffman, who is a candidate for the office of Circuit Clerk. Fred is a son of the late Hon. John R. Coffman, of Commerce. He has received a thorough business education, and should be elected, promises to devote his best energies to his official duties.

—A petition is being circulated, asking the proprietors of the New Idelwild to reinstate Capt. Keith as master of that popular boat.

—Pearl and flake Tapioca—the most delicious of desert articles, as cheap as rice; Japan and Gunpowder Teas; the celebrated Ste. Genevieve flour—best in the market—at Heisserer & Miller's.

Misses Sophia Spaulding and Luta Gray drove to Sikeston Friday of last week.

—Benton has been quite lively this week, owing to Circuit court. From now on we propose to have several Sundays per week, until the harvest is over. Our farmers don't fool away their time loafing in town. When we try right hard we can be as lifeless as Morley.

—Ben Deering is reviving the Charleston sinners.

—Remember the Republican convention at Benton to-day (Saturday.)

—Mrs. T. May, of Clarksville, Ark., after a lengthened visit to her parents in Benton, returned home on Thursday.

—Another of Ben. F. Marshall's Californian letters will appear next week.

## FROM NEW HAMBURG.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stehr visited Oran on Thursday.

Grandpa Goeche and Louis Richter have formed a partnership. They will henceforth do all kinds of work in the line of erecting private houses, hotels, ice-houses, etc. We understand they contemplated starting a door and sash factory too.

The cut worm has done some damage to the corn here. The warm weather has, however, checked its harmful progress and converted him into the big Louisiana mosquito.

Alex. Dunbar, our painter, is painting Louis Pfefferkorn's house.

Grandma Blies returned from the Cape where she sojourned a few days.

Alex. Dunbar is giving the iron fence around the cemetery a coat of paint, and does some gliding on tips and crosses.

The neat little pamphlet, "What the Populists will accomplish," etc., having Phil A. Hafner as author, is the most sanguine, the most humorous and the most attractive pamphlet ever written. It's enough "to kill," and must have been born on All-fools-day.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stehr of the Cape, visited Sunday with their Uncle, Jacob Stehr. Chas. is with The Bee clothing firm.

Married on Tuesday the 22d at St. Lawrence church, Chas. Lux and Katie Hahn.

Hon. Con. Grojean took a trip through Sandysprings, and reports wheat, corn and water melons all in good condition. He must have been in the neighborhood of Jesse Miller, as we noticed him on his return dressed in Jesse's overcoat.